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Local Brevities.

A marriage license was issued yesterday to Louis B. DeSpain and Mary B. Manay.

Frank Spittle moved into his new residence yesterday. It is one of the neatest in the city.

Nie Bosler of Olney has been drawn to serve as a juror in the United States circuit court at Portland, commencing December 5.

Don't fail to see the Ladies' Home Journal booth at the Monday club fair on Tuesday, December 6. Pictures sold and subscriptions taken.

The citizens' committee will endorse Hans Jacobson as a nominee for councilman from the Third ward in place of John Nordstrom, who declined the nomination.

The city election occurs at Seaside next Monday. The contest is over the office of mayor. J. H. Johansen is the citizens' nominee and R. R. Cole was nominated as an independent.

The damage to the city water mains were more serious than at first supposed. A force of men have been constantly employed repairing the same. The water in the reservoir has

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reached its normal height and there is sufficient for domestic and fire purposes.

The W. C. T. U. will meet in the parlors of the Methodist Episcopal church at 2:30 this afternoon.

For sale—The furniture of a house, 171 Exchange street. Inquire of Mrs. R. G. Owens, between 10 and 4 o'clock.

The new Catholic church at McGowan's is to be dedicated next Sunday. The choir of St. Mary's church of this city will assist in the dedicatory services.

It is very probable that the Commercial-Multnomah football game will be played on Christmas instead of Saturday. The matter will be definitely settled today.

The O. R. & N. Co. have accepted the tender of \$250 for salvage on the bark Webfoot, and the vessel will be turned over to Simpson and taken to Knappa for repairs.

Mrs. J. Jamison of Jewell presented her husband with a son yesterday morning. Mrs. Jamison has been stopping with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Walker, in this city.

Fruit season is fast going. We have some fine fresh apples, grapes, figs, pine apples, oranges, lemons, dates, etc., etc.; also fresh apple cider on tap. Astoria Grocery, 523 Commercial st. Phone 681.

The Republican central committee held a meeting Monday evening and nominated Paul Stangland as a candidate for councilman in the Third ward. Mr. Stangland has filed his acceptance of the nomination.

The Standard Oil Company have purchased a lot at the foot of Sixth street and will erect a large warehouse thereon. They purpose making Astoria the distributing point for oil at the mouth of the Columbia.

The fire bell which has been confined at the city jail was released yesterday afternoon by Chief Hallock and will be placed on the tower erected for it on Chemical No. 1. Hereafter when there is a fire, the bell will ring.

Babies with fat ankles are very hard to fit with shoes—at ordinary stores—but we are, as usual, prepared to supply the proper article. Mothers with fat-ankle babies should bring them to Peterson & Brown, the shoe dealers.

J. E. Ferguson has just completed 200 feet of cement sidewalk in front of his residence on Kensington avenue. Although out of the city, the enterprise of Mr. Ferguson will probably be emu-

lated by other property owners. This section of the city affords many handsome residence lots, and improvements will encourage others to build there.

The original John A. Moier has opened one of his famous barber colleges at 644 Clay st., San Francisco; special inducements this month: positions guaranteed; tuition earned while learning. Write correct number, 644 Clay st., San Francisco.

I. N. Fleischner of Portland has awarded a contract to J. E. Brailer of Seaside to build a cottage for him in the grove. The cost will approximate \$4000 and will be one of the most handsome residences at this summer resort.

Miss Daisy Stockton has been appointed as stenographer to postmaster Minto of Portland. She has been employed at the law office of Cox, Teal & Minor. Miss Berry, formerly of Astoria, takes Miss Stockton's place with the law firm.

Martin Both of Rainier has been in the city this week, shipping pickled and frozen salmon. He has 20 cars loaded, consigned to a prominent firm in Germany. This makes 28 carloads of pickled and frozen salmon shipped by Mr. Both this season.

Henry Binder underwent another operation yesterday, performed by Dr. Fulton with satisfactory results. Mr. Binder was taken sick while in Yokohama, and has been on a sick leave. The operations was the outcome of his sickness. He expects to rejoin his ship by the first of January.

The receipts from police court fines and forfeitures during the month of November was \$720. Compared with a year ago it shows a falling off of \$129. This is accounted for by reason of the closing down of a number of gambling games in the tenderloin district.

There is change of acts at the Star today. The Star changes its acts every Thursday. The entertainers this week are all "making good" with Astorians. The two Rustics, comedians; Harry Brown, singing cartoonist; Shiller brothers, virtuoso and singer; Mickman and Morton, soubrettes, and Cowles and Alden are reinforced with moving pictures and illustrated songs.

Mrs. Pauline Morgan, wife of M. E. Morgan of Westport, died quite suddenly Tuesday morning at the residence of Mrs. Frank Scheidnagle. The cause of her death was apoplexy. She leaves a husband and three children. The remains will be taken to Westport this morning where the funeral will be held, on Friday afternoon from the family residence.

The street committee investigated the Grand avenue improvement between Seventeenth street and the Shively line and will report to the council that the contract has been completed according to the specifications, with the exceptions of one block between Fifteenth and Sixteenth streets which requires three more inches of gravel. The contractors were notified and are at work completing the improvement.

The index of the new compilation of the city charter and ordinances has been completed and is in the hands of the printer. The new book will probably be ready by the 14th of December. The delay in publishing the charter was occasioned by the necessity of many amendments to existing ordinances to make them conform to supreme court decisions. The new ordinance book will be most complete and comprehensive ever issued.

Mayor Surprenant received a letter yesterday from a Janesville, Wis. firm, who are desirous of starting a fountain pen manufactory in some western city, and Astoria is designated as the best place for the concern. The company desire to dispose of 49 shares of stock at \$200 per share as a nucleus for engaging in the business in Astoria. If this stock can be subscribed in Astoria, the manufacture of fountain pens will be established. The letter refers to the profits from the manufacture of pens, stating that pens that sell for \$5 can be manufactured for 90 cents to \$1, a profit of the Dutchmen's 1 per cent.

Thanks, Brother. With tomorrow's issue The Daily Astorian passes under a new management, and The News heartily wishes it a prosperous career. C. J. Curtis, who has long been connected with various newspapers in the northwest, and who is the editor of the Herald, published in this city, will have charge of The Astorian's editorial columns. Mr. Curtis is one of the ablest journalists on the Pacific coast, and the readers of The Astorian are fortunate in having so brilliant a man to fill the important position of editor. J. P. Merrill, a newspaper man of a long and successful career, has been secured by the new management, and it may be safely predicted that he will perform the duties of his position with more than credit.—Daily News.

The repertoire of the James Keane company at Fishers' opera house next week, embraces among other plays, three of the most famous comedies of the American stage. These are "What Happened to Jones," "Charley's Aunt"

and "A Night Out." The first named play will be Mr. Keane's opening bill here and the other two will be offered during the week. Other plays which will be presented during the engagement are "Quo Vadis," "The King of Rogues," and two new plays. Mr. Keane prides himself on the fact that none of his plays are being used by any other popular priced organization. A complete production is promised of each play and the excellent reputation made by the attraction when here last summer is sufficient guarantee of strictly first-class performances. Seat sale opens Saturday morning at Griffin's book store.

A prominent property owner speaking of objections to street improvements yesterday, said, that the property owners, as a rule, were not opposed to street improvements, but to the manner in which they were being made. If street improvements are made according to the notice and contract, and the work performed in accordance therewith, none of the property owners will object. All of the objections raised has been to the loose manner in which the improvements have been made. Owners of property claim that the fault lies with the street committee, who do not give sufficient attention to a strict compliance with the contract. There seems to be no doubt but that certain streets have been improved in a careless manner without regard to the obligations of the contract, hence the property owners have been compelled to file objections. The committee on streets and public ways have no doubt exercised a reasonable degree of caution, and are anxious that the conditions of all contracts be strictly observed.

WARRENTON NEWS.

Mr. and Mrs. Lon Harmon have returned to locate in Warrenton.

News reached Warrenton last evening that a large whale had washed ashore opposite the old lighthouse.

J. C. Caskey made a trip to Portland this week.

Alfred Dawson, Jr., will move to Hammond in a few days, as he has secured work on the government improvement.

There was a pleasant gathering in Warren's hall last evening. Rev. J. W. Welch of the Presbyterian church extended an invitation to all to come and get acquainted. A short program was rendered, games were played, coffee and cake were served and at the close each felt he was better acquainted with his neighbor.

The Warrenton mill has started up after a short lay off, caused by repairs to the boilers.

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If you are thinking of raising or moving a building it would be to your advantage to see Fredrickson Bros, general carpenters and house movers. Shop at 173 Tenth street.

The Imperial oyster house is prepared to furnish Shalwater bay oysters in quantities of pints and quarts to supply the family trade. Colonial oysters always on hand.

The flower store of M. Egger is now located at No. 515 Commercial street, next to Peterson Brown's shoe store. Choice cut flowers, plants, ferns and shrubs. Floral designs furnished.

For sale—At Gaston's feed stable, No. 105 Fourteenth street; one Landie's harness machine; one Smith-Premier typewriter; one 20 hp motor and belt; 1000 good sacks.

The old and hitherto unanswered question, "Why does a hen set?" has at last been answered, and as might be expected, the answer comes from Boston. Says "The Boston Herald" in a thoughtful editorial: "The hen patiently 'sets' only through the overpowering pressure of a mysterious impulse that masters her restless impulses to be outside scratching and cackling, instead of working for posterity."

If the czar really grants his people those "important constitutional changes" he is said to contemplate on his "name day," which comes on Dec. 19, it will be the biggest Christmas gift that country ever saw, and will make his name one well worth remembering by fame and a long-suffering people.

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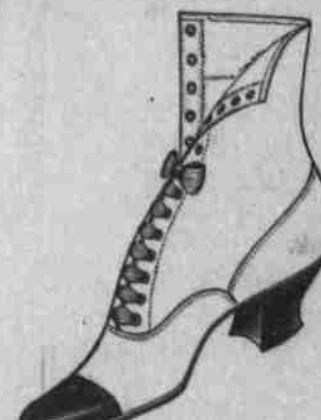
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